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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 4, 2004, concerning the above-captioned patent application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: